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Abstract

The rise of the modern constitutional state as a process of secularization was accomplished in the historical and ideal framework of the Modernity. This state can be regarded as the result of ascientific experiment focusing on the human individual and directed against the traditional communities, in order to replace them with sovereign states and rational societies. The rise of the European Union marks the failure of this experiment and opens the way to the dissolution of the sovereign states in a post-modern Empire without solving the basic problems. This becomes possible only if the post-modern state would be renewed in its legitimacy by restoring the distorted communities. The restorative process should be at its turn conceived and performed by the European states in the framework of a coordinating commonwealth as adequate replay to the European dimensions of the modern distortion itself.

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